

**PENNSYLVANIA
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
HARRISBURG, PA 17120**

Public Meeting held December 22, 2022

Commissioners Present:

Gladys Brown Dutrieuille, Chairman
Stephen M. DeFrank, Vice Chairman
Ralph V. Yanora
Kathryn L. Zerfuss
John F. Coleman, Jr.

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission

v.

Docket Nos.
R-2022-3036634
C-2022-3037266

Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater, Inc.

ORDER

BY THE COMMISSION:

On November 8, 2022, Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater, Inc. (APW), Utility Code 230240, filed Supplement No. 2 to Tariff Sewer-PA P.U.C. No. 3 (Supplement No. 2) to become effective on January 7, 2023. Supplement No. 2 was filed to revise language concerning the use of secondary water meters to deduct flow not actually being conveyed to the wastewater system by acquired wastewater customers in Rate Zones 7, 10, and 12.

On December 16, 2022, APW customer Richard Adams filed a formal complaint at Docket No. C-2022-3037266. Pursuant to Section 1308(b) of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Code, 66 Pa.C.S. § 1308(b), the filing will be suspended by operation of law until July 7, 2023, unless permitted by Commission Order to become effective at an earlier date.

Investigation and analysis of this proposed tariff supplement and the supporting data indicates that the proposed tariff supplement may be unlawful, unjust, unreasonable, and contrary to the public interest. It also appears that consideration should be given to the reasonableness of APW's existing rates, rules, and regulations; **THEREFORE,**

IT IS ORDERED:

1. That an investigation on Commission motion be, and hereby is, instituted to determine the lawfulness, justness, and reasonableness of the rates, rules, and regulations contained in Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater, Inc.'s proposed Supplement No. 2 to Tariff Sewer-PA P.U.C. No. 3.

2. That Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater, Inc.'s proposed Supplement No. 2 to Tariff Sewer-PA P.U.C. No. 3 is suspended by operation of law until July 7, 2023, unless otherwise directed by Order of the Commission.

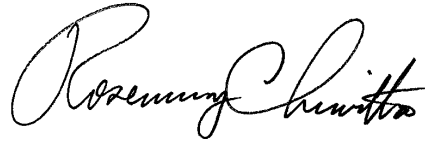
3. That within ten (10) days following the entry date of this Order, pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 53.71, Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater, Inc. shall e-file (or file) a tariff supplement, which shall bear no effective date, with the Commission and post the tariff supplement at the offices of Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater, Inc. announcing that the aforementioned tariff supplement is suspended until July 7, 2023. A sample copy of a suspension supplement is provided in Attachment A of this Order.

4. That the investigation instituted in Ordering Paragraph No. 1 of this Order shall include consideration of the lawfulness, justness, and reasonableness of the existing rates, rules, and regulations of Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater, Inc.

5. That this case be assigned to the Office of Administrative Law Judge for Alternative Dispute Resolution, if possible, and for the prompt scheduling of such hearings as may be necessary culminating in the issuance of a recommended decision.

6. That a copy of this Order shall be served upon Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater, Inc., the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement, the Office of Consumer Advocate, the Office of Small Business Advocate, and any persons who have filed formal complaints against the proposed tariff supplement.

BY THE COMMISSION,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rosemary Chiavetta". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rosemary Chiavetta
Secretary

(SEAL)

ORDER ADOPTED: December 22, 2022

ORDER ENTERED: December 22, 2022

ATTACHMENT A
Sample Suspension Supplement

Supp. No. _____ to
_____ Pa. P.U.C. No. _____.

(COMPANY NAME)

(TERRITORY SERVED BY COMPANY)

The application of rates proposed in Supplement No. _____ to Tariff _____ Pa. P.U.C. No. _____ filed to become effective _____, is hereby suspended until _____, at Docket No. _____. Presently effective rates contained in Tariff _____ Pa. P.U.C. No. _____ and supplements thereto, will continue in effect until otherwise amended. Issued in compliance with Title 66 Pa. C.S. § 1308.